



DIVISION OF
CORPORATION FINANCE

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

January 10, 2014

Via E-mail
Jill E. York
Chief Financial Officer
MB Financial, Inc.
6111 N. River Road
Rosemont, IL 60018

**Re: MB Financial
Amendment No. 2 to Registration Statement on Form S-4
Filed January 6, 2014
File No. 333-191770**

Dear Ms. York:

We have reviewed your amended registration statement and related response letter and have the following comments. In some of our comments, we may ask you to provide us with information so we may better understand your disclosure.

Please respond to this letter by amending your registration statement and providing the requested information. If you do not believe our comments apply to your facts and circumstances or do not believe an amendment is appropriate, please tell us why in your response.

After reviewing any amendment to your registration statement and the information you provide in response to these comments, we may have additional comments.

Amendment No. 2 to Registration Statement on Form S-4

Notes to Unaudited Pro Forma Combined Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

Note 3 – Allocation of Purchase Price of Taylor Capital, page 124

1. Please revise to reflect the impact of the redemption of the Taylor Capital Series B preferred stock within the purchase price allocation.

We urge all persons who are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosure in the filing to be certain that the filing includes the information the Securities Act of 1933 and all applicable Securities Act rules require. Since the company and its management are in possession of all facts relating to a company's disclosure, they are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosures they have made.

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Notwithstanding our comments, in the event you request acceleration of the effective date of the pending registration statement please provide a written statement from the company acknowledging that:

- should the Commission or the staff, acting pursuant to delegated authority, declare the filing effective, it does not foreclose the Commission from taking any action with respect to the filing;
- the action of the Commission or the staff, acting pursuant to delegated authority, in declaring the filing effective, does not relieve the company from its full responsibility for the adequacy and accuracy of the disclosure in the filing; and
- the company may not assert staff comments and the declaration of effectiveness as a defense in any proceeding initiated by the Commission or any person under the federal securities laws of the United States.

Please refer to Rules 460 and 461 regarding requests for acceleration. We will consider a written request for acceleration of the effective date of the registration statement as confirmation of the fact that those requesting acceleration are aware of their respective responsibilities under the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 as they relate to the proposed public offering of the securities specified in the above registration statement. Please allow adequate time for us to review any amendment prior to the requested effective date of the registration statement.

Please contact Christina Harley at (202) 551-3695 or Marc Thomas at (202) 551-3752 if you have questions regarding comments on the financial statements and related matters. Please contact Christopher Dunham at (202) 551-3783 or me at (202) 551-3419 with any other questions.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christian Windsor

Christian Windsor
Special Counsel

cc: Via E-mail
Craig M. Scheer, Esq.